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In re Application of:

Hofmann, Holm, Venschott

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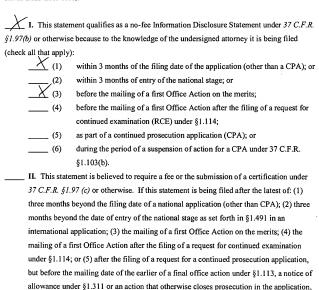
Listed below or on an attached form listing the cited references and/or a copy of a PTO-892 form is information known to applicant(s). A copy of each listed foreign patent and each listed publication other than U.S. patents and U.S. patent application publications is being submitted herewith, along with a concise explanation of information in a foreign language, if any, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.97-1.98, except that U.S. patents and U.S. published applications from which priority is claimed under 35 U.S.C. §120, and documents cited in such priority applications, may be omitted from the enclosures pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.98(d). Applicant's submission of copies of unpublished U.S. applications does not constitute a waiver of the confidentiality of such applications. As such, Applicant requests that any copies of unpublished US applications submitted herewith be excluded from the file wrapper pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.14.

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